years. Total assistance extended on these projects comes to roughly Rs. 2.5 crore. In addition, the Ministry has provided assistance for setting up common facilities including cold storage in food parks. Such projects have been assisted in the States of Andhra Pradesh, Assam, Chhattisgarh, Haryana, Jammu & Kashmir, Karnataka, Kerala, Madhya Pradesh, Manipur, Mizoram, Orissa, Punjab, Rajasthan, Tamil Nadu, Tripura, Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal during the last three years.

(b) Cold storage are infrastructure projects impacting agricultural producers over an extended area. Exact co-relation of the number of agriculturists benefited is, therefore, not centrally monitored.

(c) and (d) Ministry of Food Processing Industries have given prime importance to ensuring critical infrastructure for food processing industries including cold storages. The Ministry's allocaton in the 10th Plan has been increased to Rs. 650 crore. Assistance to infrastructure projects including cold storages/cold chain is a thrust area in the Ministry's schemes.

Trial of offences related with child abuse

4393. SHRI PARMESHWAR KUMAR AGARWALLA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that due to lack of clear provisions in the existing statute the trial of all offences of child sexual abuse are being dealt with according to the provisions applicable to rape cases;

(b) whether the NGOs working with victims of child sexual abuse have requested for an alternative system of trial for dealing with sex abuse victims; and

(c) the reaction of Government to their request?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI JAS KAUR MEENA) : (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. In pursuance of the directions of the Supreme Court in Criminal Writ Petition No. 33 of 1997 (Sakshi *Vs* UOI) the Law Commission of India was asked to examine the provision relating to child sex abuse in the criminal justice system in the country covering Indian Penal Code, Criminal Procedure Code and the Indian Evidence

Act. The Law Commission in its 172nd report has made certain recommendations on these issues which has been further examined by the Justice Malimath Committee who have submitted its report to the Ministry of Home Affairs on 21st April, 2003.

Primary schools in Gujarat

4394. SHRI RAJU PARMAR : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) the number of primary schools opened/proposed to be opened with foreign assistance in Gujarat, districtwise; and

(b) the amount provided to each district for this purpose during each of the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ASHOK PRADHAN) : (a) and (b) According to the information furnished by the State Government, the number of primary schools opened under DPEP during 1997-2002 in Banskantha, Panchmahal and Dang is 173, 200 and 10 respectively.

The expenditure incurred on opening of new schools in each of the above three districts during the last three years is as follows :-

(Rs. In lacs)

District	1999-2000	2000-01	2001-02	Total
Banskantha	126.35	104.29	46.22	276.86
Panchmahal	107.77	78.20	15.91	201.88
Dang	9.71	7.12	NIL	16.81
Total	243.83	189.61	62.13	495.57

Management education out of the purview of AICTE

4395. SHRI R.P. GOENKA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to State :